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SUBJ: DISCUSSIONS SEPT 15 WITH TURKISH NATO PERMREP KIRCA
ON TURKISH POPPY CONTROLS

REF: STATE 232486

1. BOTH DE BEUS AND WELLMAN HAVE BEEN BRIEFED RECENTLY IN DETAIL REGARDING RECENT BIDDING ON 10,000 TONS CURRENT TURKISH POPPY STRAW CROP OFFERED FOR SALE BY GOT. DE BEUS IMMEDIATELY SHOOK HIS HEAD AND REFERRED TO POSSIBILITY THAT THIS SITUATION MIGHT TRIGGER A TURKISH REQUEST FOR ANOTHER STANDBY COMPENSATION FUND. HE INDICATED THAT HE CONSIDERED LAST SUCH EXERCISE TO HAVE BEEN TOO COMPLICATED AND DIFFICULT TO WARRANT REPEAT PERFORMANCE. HE NOTED THAT IN ANY EVENT UNFDAC'S RESOURCES WOULD NOT PERMIT CREATION OF NEW STANDBY FUND FOR TURKEY.

2. IN CONVERSATION WITH DE BEUS WE REFERRED ONCE AGAIN TO ECONOMIC AND CONTROL PROBLEMS POSED BY TURKISH DECISION PROCEED WITH ALKALOID'S' FACTORY WITH CAPACITY 20,000 TONS. WE EXPRESSED HOPE THAT UNFDAC WOULD CONTINUE TO UTILIZE EVERY OPPORTUNITY TO REITERATE TO TURKISH OFFICIALS ITS CONCERN OVER THIS STATE OF AFFAIRS. WE ARE CONFIDENT THAT DE BEUS AND WELLMAN WILL DO THIS BUT
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NEITHER IS OPTIMISTIC THAT IT WILL DO ANY GOOD.

3. INCB SECRETARY DITTERT IS RETURNING GENEVA THE
END OF SEPT. WE WILL ASK HIM, ON OCCASION
COURTESY CALL HE PRESUMABLY WILL MAKE ON NEW TURKISH
AMBASSADOR, TO REITERATE BOARD'S WORRY ABOUT ECONOMIC
AND CONTROL PROBLEMS POSED BY DECISION ON SIZE OF
ALKALOIDS' FACTORY AND TO STRESS BOARD'S CURRENT
PREOCCUPATION WITH POSSIBLE OVER-PRODUCTION WORLDWIDE
OF NARCOTIC RAW MATERIALS. CATTO

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